TO PERFORM THE FUNCTION OF A TOW TRUCK AND IS USED EXCLUSIVELY FOR TOWING VEHICLES FOR THE PURPOSE OF REPAIR, STORAGE, OR REMOVAL OF ABANDONED VEHICLES FROM THE PUBLIC HIGHWAYS, IT SHALL PAY A REGISTRATION FEE BASED ON A MAXIMUM GROSS WEIGHT OF 17,000 POUNDS, AS SET FORTH IN SUBSECTION (F) (1) OF THIS SECTION, REGARDLESS OF THE SHIPPING WEIGHT OF THE CHASSIS AND BATTERY AS CERTIFIED BY THE MANUFACTURER, PROVIDED SUCH SHIPPING WEIGHT OF THE CHASSIS AND BATTERY AS CERTIFIED BY THE MANUFACTURER IS IN EXCESS OF 2,500 POUNDS.

(g) Class F, pneumatic tires.—(1) Registration fees for truck tractors, or traction engines, or any other similar motor vehicles used for propelling, supporting or drawing a trailer or semitrailer with gross weight limits for the vehicle and load when in combination shall be as follows:

Class	Maximum Gross Weight	Fee
$\mathbf{F}\mathbf{A}$	40,000	<b>[</b> \$130.00 <b>]</b> <i>\$175.00</i>
$\mathbf{FB}$	50,000	<b>[</b> 160.00 <b>]</b> 215.00
$\mathbf{FC}$	65,000	<b>[</b> 245.00 <b>]</b> 330.00
$\mathbf{FD}$	<b>73,2</b> 80	<b>[</b> 300.00 <b>]</b> 400.00
$\mathbf{FPF}$	65,000	<b>[</b> 160.00 <b>]</b> 215.00

Vehicles with two or more axles may be registered in Class FA, FB, and FC. Class FD registrations shall be limited to vehicles with three or more axles, EXCEPT THAT VEHICLES WITH TWO AXLES MAY BE REGISTERED IN CLASS FD WHEN USED IN A COMBINATION OF VEHICLES AS PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 314 (E) OF THIS ARTICLE.

Class FPF registrations are defined as and shall be limited to vehicles registered in accordance with the provisions of §§ 181 through 190 of Article 56.

(2) This charge shall not apply to farm tractors being operated by farmers in connection with their farming operations when traveling upon public highways or streets of this State, on which shall be imposed in lieu thereof a flat fee of [\$4.00] \$5.00.

No charge shall be made for farm tractors where such tractor is being used in hauling farm wagons or implements in connection with farming operations, or for farm tractor hauled trailers of farmers using highways and not going a distance greater than five miles. The term "farmer" as used in this subsection means any person or corporation engaged in the raising, growing and producing of farm products on a farm of not less than three (3) acres in area, and who is not hauling farm products previously acquired by him for resale or hauling same for others for hire.

[(3) The Department shall pay to the county or Baltimore City in which the owner of a Class F motor vehicle resides, the following sums for such vehicles as per maximum gross weight limit, as shown above: